

## 109-2 ASPHALT PRICE ADJUSTMENT

All PG graded asphalt binders will be subject to a price adjustment, including those used in commercial mixes, if the paving operations begin more than 180 calendar days after the award date. No adjustment will be made to other asphalt materials. Asphalt prices will be obtained from the *Asphalt Weekly Monitor*® by Poten & Partners, Inc. Prices will be based on the selling prices of asphalt cement in the WY/MT market.

The base price for the contract will be the average of the high and low price for the week of the bid opening. The monthly average price will be the average of the high and low prices for each week in the adjustment period. The adjustment period for asphalt adjustment is from the full week before the beginning of the estimate cycle to the full week prior to the next estimate cycle. If the estimate cycle extends beyond the monthly estimate period, only the asphalt prices from the month in which the item is added to the estimate will be used to generate the average price. If prices for a week are not available to the Department for any reason, the Department may eliminate that week in the determination of the monthly average.

Adjustments will be calculated using the difference between the base price and the monthly average price. Adjustments will be made only when the monthly average price exceeds \$30.00 per ton more or less than the base price. The adjustments will be made only for the amount exceeding \$30.00 per ton, but will not exceed the difference between the average price and the bid price.

The price adjustment for PG graded asphalt items will be calculated using either the change in cost from the base price (BP) to the monthly average price (AP) that exceeds \$30.00 or the difference between the average price and the bid price, whichever is lower, multiplied by the quantity (Q) of the asphalt item added to the progress estimate. The same adjustment will be used for English and metric quantities.

Adjustments for PG graded asphalt binder items will be according to the following formulas:

$$\text{Adjustment} = [(AP - BP - 30.00) \text{ or } (AP - BID)] * Q$$

The price adjustment for PG graded asphalt binder in commercial plant mix items will be the change in cost from the base price (BP) to the monthly average price (AP) that exceeds \$30.00 or the difference between the average price and the bid price, whichever is lower, multiplied by the quantity (Q) of the plant mix item added to the progress estimate, multiplied by 6 percent.

Adjustments for liquid asphalt items will be according to the following formulas:

$$\text{Adjustment} = [(AP - BP - 30.00) \text{ or } (AP - BID)] * Q * 0.06$$

Where:

AP = Monthly Average Price

BP = Base Price

Q = Quantity

BID = Bid Price

Adjustments will be calculated for each asphalt item as described without regard to the grade actually used. The total of the asphalt price adjustments will be added to, or subtracted from, the monthly progress estimate. Positive price adjustments will not be made for any work performed after the contract time (with authorized time extensions) is exceeded. The total amount of adjustment on the contract will not exceed \$150,000.